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We are all hungry for beauty and inspiration during the COVID-19 pandemic. While The Mint Museum's two locations are temporarily closed, we created a [Museum from Home page](#) so you can still get your art fix. Museum From Home includes Q&As with sheltered-in-place artists from our permanent collection, at-home craft and art ideas, curators' picks that showcase masterpieces inside the Mint galleries, as well as digital gallery tours and other artful content to read, watch or listen from wherever you are. Be sure to follow us on our social channels—[Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#)—for more art-minded musings.

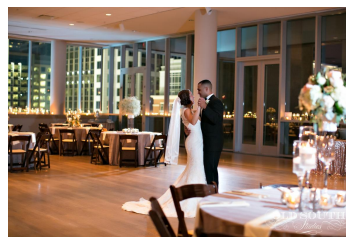
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Remembering artist Dr. David C. Driskell

Dr. Driskell passed away of coronavirus at the age of 88. His touring exhibition *Narratives of African American Art and Identity* was on view at The Mint Museum in 2002. A former Mint trustee reflects on Driskell's legacy.

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Plan and celebrate at this virtual wedding show

The Mint is joining some of Charlotte's top wedding professionals in a virtual wedding show this Sunday, April 19, 2-4 p.m. Join panel discussions with talented pros, ask questions, and connect in one-on-one sessions with vendors via Zoom. Cost is \$8 per ticket, and 100% of proceeds benefit Loaves & Fishes NC.

[Register Here](#)

Curators' Picks

We are sharing pieces from our galleries and collections to help bring peace and inspiration while we all practice social distancing. Our curators have chosen these pieces to give you the museum experience from home. To see more #CuratorsPicks, follow us on our social media channels.



Gabrielle "Coco" Chanel (French, 1883-1971). "Dress Suit," circa 1925-29, wool knit. Gift of the Mint Museum Auxiliary, donated by Mildred Taylor Cook. 1983.75.467A-C

Dress Suit. Gabrielle "Coco" Chanel is celebrated for designing elegant and comfortable fashions for the modern woman. From her atelier on the rue Cambon, she created clothes made of soft fabrics and relaxed silhouettes, costume jewelry, handbags, and perfume. This afternoon ensemble could have been worn to the office or an afternoon social engagement. It has recently returned to Paris as part of the exhibition "Gabrielle Chanel, manifeste de mode," at Palais Galliera-Musee de la Mode. The show is scheduled to open sometime later this spring.



John Singleton Copley (American, 1738-1815). "St. Cecilia, a Portrait (Mrs. Richard Crowninshield Derby)," 1803, oil on canvas. Gift of Dr. and Mrs. Henry C. Landon III. 2008.50

St. Cecilia, a Portrait (Mrs. Richard Crowninshield Derby). Need to de-stress? Study this beauty and imagine the melodic plucking of harp strings. Although he was born in Boston, artist John Singleton Copley spent much of his career working in England, where he painted this portrait of fellow Bostonian Mrs. Richard Crowninshield Derby, in the guise of Saint Cecilia, the patron saint of music. Mrs. Derby was known for her talents as a pianist, but Copley chose instead to have her playing a harp: the symbol associated with Saint Cecilia but also an instrument known for its links to antiquity and its Biblical reference to Christian worship. (Opting for the harp also allowed Copley to feature Mrs. Derby's slender fingers elegantly plucking the strings.)

Don't Miss This

- [Andrea Downs, the artist behind the exhibition *Airing Out the "Dirty Laundry,"*](#) talks about the "why" behind her latest artwork. See the exhibition at Mint Museum Uptown this summer.
- Tune in Tuesday, April 14, 7 p.m. for [Unmasked: How the Virus Impacts the Black Community](#), a virtual conversation, hosted by The Gantt Center, about how Black communities are coping during the pandemic and why they are a vulnerable population.
- For the foreseeable future, vacations are on hold. That doesn't mean you can't tour some of the world's most famous sites from the comfort of home. [How about these views from Machu Picchu?](#)



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